

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECONNECTING DROPPED
WIRELESS CALLS**

Abstract of the Disclosure

A method and apparatus are provided such that when a wireless communication system detects that a connection to one of its subscribers has dropped, an application server within the network is dynamically called to intervene in the call and one or more options are presented to the remaining end-user of a mobile or landline terminal. The options presented to the end-user can be dependent upon whether the cause of the dropped call is one that is associated with likely having a short-term duration or is one that is associated with likely having a longer-term duration. If the cause is short term, the end-user can be given the option of being automatically reconnected to the dropped mobile terminal when it is determined to be available again. If selected by the remaining end-user, when the dropped mobile terminal is determined by the network to be available, the server sets up a call leg to it and bridges that call to the existing connection to the remaining end-user's terminal and thereafter drops out from the established connection. If the cause is determined to likely be of longer duration, the remaining end-user can be provided with various options such as being connected elsewhere or being directed to the mobile terminal end-user's voicemail.